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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

<u>Listing of Claims:</u>

Claims 1-2 (Canceled).

Claim 3 (Currently Amended) The communication terminal device according to claim 2,

A communication terminal device comprising:

means for establishing a connection by a call control protocol with a destination device designated by an Internet Protocol (IP) telephone number;

means for requesting a presentation of a plurality of communication protocols which the destination device can support over the connection;

means for selecting one communication protocol which the communication terminal device can support from communication protocols presented by the destination device as a response to the request by the means for requesting;

means for communicating with the destination device over the connection by the communication protocol selected by the means for selecting; and

means for storing a communication protocol and an IP telephone number by associating one with the other;

wherein when a communication protocol is stored in the means for storing by being associated with the IP telephone number of the destination device, the means for requesting does not request a presentation of a plurality of communication protocols which the destination device

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can support over the connection, and the means for selecting selects the communication protocol
associated with the IP telephone number of the destination device and stored by the means for
storing, and

wherein when a communication protocol is not stored in the means for storing by being associated with the IP telephone number of the destination device, the means for requesting requests a presentation of a plurality of communication protocols which the destination device can support over the connection, and the means for selecting selects one communication protocol which the communication terminal device can support from the communication protocols presented from by the destination device.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended) The communication terminal device according to claim [[1]] 3, further comprising:

means for outputting to a prescribed destination, information indicating a failure in a communication with the destination device, when the means for selecting fails in selecting a communication protocol.

Claim 5 (Original) The communication terminal device according to claim 3, wherein when a communication protocol is not stored by being associated with the IP telephone number of the destination device, the means for storing stores the communication protocol selected by the means for selecting from the communication protocols presented from the destination device, by

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associating with the IP telephone number of the destination device.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended) The communication terminal device according to claim [[1]] 3, wherein the plurality of communication protocols include a Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP) and a Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP).

Claim 7 (Currently Amended) The communication terminal device according to claim [[1]] 3, further comprising:

means for storing a communication protocol and an IP telephone number by associating one with the other; and

means for operating by an operator;

wherein stored contents of the means for storing can be edited, added, or deleted freely by a prescribed operation from the means for operating.

Claim 8 (Original) A communication method comprising the steps of:

establishing a connection by a call control protocol with a destination device designated by an Internet Protocol (IP) telephone number;

determining whether or not a communication protocol is stored in means for storing by being associated with the IP telephone number of the destination device;

selecting a communication protocol to be used for a communication with the destination device; and

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communicating with the destination device over the connection by the communication protocol selected in the step of selecting;

wherein the step of selecting comprises:

requesting a presentation of a plurality of communication protocols which the destination device can support over the connection and selecting one communication protocol which a communication terminal device can support from the communication protocols presented from the destination device as a response to the request when it is determined in the step of determining that a communication protocol is not stored; and

selecting the communication protocol stored in the means for storing by being associated with the IP telephone number of the destination device without requesting a presentation of a plurality of communication protocols which the destination device can support over the connection when it is determined in the step of determining that a communication protocol is stored.

Claims 9-22 (Canceled).